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life, which tax must be satisfied out of such income, is entitled to the credit provided by section 33 when he pays the tax. If a decedent who reported income by use of the cash receipts and disbursements method owned real property on which accrued taxes had become a lien, and if such property passed directly to the heir of the decedent in a jurisdiction in which real property does not become a part of a decedent's estate, the heir, upon paying such taxes, may take the same deduction under section 164 that would be allowed to the decedent if, while alive, he had made such payment.

(b) The deduction for percentage depletion is allowable only to the person (described in section 691(a)(1)) who receives the income in respect of the decedent to which the deduction relates, whether or not such person receives the property from which such income is derived. Thus, an heir who (by reason of the decedent's death) receives income derived from sales of units of mineral by the decedent (who reported income by use of the cash receipts and disbursements method) shall be allowed the deduction for percentage depletion, computed on the gross income from such number of units as if the heir had the same economic interest in the property as the decedent. Such heir need not also receive any interest in the mineral property other than such income. If the decedent did not compute his deduction for depletion on the basis of percentage depletion, any deduction for depletion to which the decedent was entitled at the date of his death would be allowable in computing his taxable income for his last taxable year, and there can be no deduction in respect of the decedent by any other person for such depletion.

§ 1.691(c)-1 Deduction for estate tax attributable to income in respect of a decedent.

(a) In general. A person who is required to include in gross income for any taxable year an amount of income in respect of a decedent may deduct for the same taxable year that portion of the estate tax imposed upon the decedent's estate which is attributable to the inclusion in the decedent's estate

of the right to receive such amount. The deduction is determined as follows:

(1) Ascertain the net value in the decedent's estate of the items which are included under section 691 in computing gross income. This is the excess of the value included in the gross estate on account of the items of gross income in respect of the decedent (see §1.691(a)-1 and paragraph (c) of this section) over the deductions from the gross estate for claims which represent the deductions and credit in respect of the decedent (see §1.691(b)-1). But see section 691(d) and paragraph (b) of §1.691(d)-1 for computation of the special value of a survivor's annuity to be used in computing the net value for estate tax purposes in cases involving joint and survivor annuities. (2) Ascertain the portion of the es-

tate tax attributable to the inclusion in the gross estate of such net value. This is the excess of the estate tax over the estate tax computed without including such net value in the gross estate. In computing the estate tax without including such net value in the gross estate, any estate tax deduction (such as the marital deduction) which may be based upon the gross estate shall be recomputed so as to take into

account the exclusion of such net value

from the gross estate. See example 2, paragraph (e) of §1.691(d)-1.

For purposes of this section, the term estate tax means the tax imposed under section 2001 or 2101 (or the corresponding provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1939), reduced by the credits against such tax. Each person including in gross income an amount of income in respect of a decedent may deduct as his share of the portion of the estate tax (computed under subparagraph (2) of this paragraph) an amount which bears the same ratio to such portion as the value in the gross estate of the right to the income included by such person in gross income (or the amount included in gross income if lower) bears to the value in the gross estate of all the items of gross income in respect of the decedent.

(b) *Prior decedent.* If a person is required to include in gross income an amount of income in respect of a prior decedent, such person may deduct for the same taxable year that portion of

the estate tax imposed upon the prior decedent's estate which is attributable to the inclusion in the prior decedent's estate of the value of the right to receive such amount. This deduction is computed in the same manner as provided in paragraph (a) of this section and is in addition to the deduction for estate tax imposed upon the decedent's estate which is attributable to the inclusion in the decedent's estate of the right to receive such amount.

(c) Amounts deemed to be income in respect of a decedent. For purposes of allowing the deduction under section 691(c), the following items are also considered to be income in respect of a decedent under section 691(a):

- (1) The value for estate tax purposes of stock options in respect of which amounts are includible in gross income under section 421(b) (prior to amendment by section 221(a) of the Revenue Act of 1964), in the case of taxable years ending before January 1, 1964, or under section 422(c)(1), 423(c), or 424(c)(1), whichever is applicable, in the case of taxable years ending after December 31, 1963. See section 421(d)(6) (prior to amendment by sec. 221(a) of the Revenue Act of 1964), in the case of taxable years ending before January 1, 1964, and section 421(c)(2), in the case of taxable years ending after December 31, 1963,
- (2) Amounts received by a surviving annuitant during his life expectancy period as an annuity under a joint and survivor annuity contract to the extent included in gross income under section 72. See section 691(d).
- (d) *Examples.* Paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section may be illustrated by the following examples:

Example 1. X, an attorney who kept his books by use of the cash receipts and disbursements method, was entitled at the date of his death to a fee for services rendered in a case not completed at the time of his death, which fee was valued in his estate at \$1,000, and to accrued bond interest, which was valued in his estate at \$500. In all, \$1,500 was included in his gross estate in respect of income described in section 691(a)(1). There were deducted as claims against his estate \$150 for business expenses for which his estate was liable and \$50 for taxes accrued on certain property which he owned. In all, \$20 was deducted for claims which represent amounts described in section 691(b) which are allowable as deductions to his estate or

to the beneficiaries of his estate. His gross estate was \$185,000 and, considering deductions of \$15,000 and an exemption of \$60,000, his taxable estate amounted to \$110,000. The estate tax on this amount is \$23,700 from which is subtracted a \$75 credit for State death taxes leaving an estate tax liability of \$23,625. In the year following the closing of X's estate, the fee in the amount of \$1,200 was collected by X's son, who was the sole beneficiary of the estate. This amount was included under section 691(a)(1)(C) in the son's gross income. The son may deduct, in computing his taxable income for such year, \$260 on account of the estate tax attributable to such income, computed as follows:

\$1,500	(1) (i) Value of income described in section 691(a)(1) included in computing gross estate (ii) Deductions in computing gross estate for
200	claims representing deductions described in section 691(b)
1,300	(iii) Net value of items described in section 691(a)(1)
23,625	(2) (i) Estate tax(ii) Less: Estate tax computed without including
23,235	\$1,300 (item (1)(iii)) in gross estate
390	(iii) Portion of estate tax attributable to net value of items described in section 691(a)(1)
	(3) (i) Value in gross estate of items described in section 691(a)(1) received in taxable year
1,000	(fee)(ii) Value in gross estate of all income items de-
1,500	scribed in section 691(a)(1) (item (1)(i))
260	receipt of \$1,200 fee (1,000/1,500 of \$390)

Although \$1,200 was later collected as the fee, only the \$1,000 actually included in the gross estate is used in the above computations. However, to avoid distortion, section 691(c) provides that if the value included in the gross estate is greater than the amount finally collected, only the amount collected shall be used in the above computations. Thus, if the amount collected as the fee were only \$500, the estate tax deductible on the receipt of such amount would be 500/1,500 of \$390, or \$130. With respect to taxable years ending before January 1, 1964, see paragraph (d)(3) of §1.421-5 for a similar example involving a restricted stock option. With respect to taxable years ending after December 31, 1963, see paragraph (c)(3) of §1.421-8 for a similar example involving a stock option subject to the provisions of part II of subchapter D

Example 2. Assume that in example 1 the fee valued at \$1,000 had been earned by prior decedent Y and had been inherited by X who died before collecting it. With regard to the son, the fee would be considered income in respect of a prior decedent. Assume further that the fee was valued at \$1,000 in Y's estate, that the net value in Y's estate of items described in section \$91 (a)(1) was

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\$5,000 and that the estate tax imposed on Y's estate attributable to such net value was \$550. In such case, the portion of such estate tax attributable to the fee would be 1,000/5,000 of \$550, or \$110. When the son collects the \$1,200 fee, he will receive for the same taxable year a deduction of \$110 with respect to the estate tax imposed on the estate of prior decedent Y as well as the deduction of \$260 (as computed in example 1) with respect to the estate tax imposed on the estate of decedent X.

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§1.691(c)-2 Estates and trusts.

- (a) In the case of an estate or trust, the deduction prescribed in section 691(c) is determined in the same manner as described in §1.691(c)-1, with the following exceptions:
- (1) If any amount properly paid, credited, or required to be distributed by an estate or trust to a beneficiary consists of income in respect of a decedent received by the estate or trust during the taxable year:
- (i) Such income shall be excluded in determining the income in respect of the decedent with respect to which the estate or trust is entitled to a deduction under section 691(c), and
- (ii) Such income shall be considered income in respect of a decedent to such beneficiary for purposes of allowing the deduction under section 691(c) to such beneficiary.
- (2) For determination of the amount of income in respect of a decedent received by the beneficiary, see sections 652 and 662, and §§1.652(b)-2 and 1.662(b)-2. However, for this purpose, distributable net income as defined in section 643 (a) and the regulations thereunder shall be computed without taking into account the estate tax deduction provided in section 691(c) and this section. Distributable net income as modified under the preceding sentence shall be applied for other relevant purposes of subchapter J, chapter 1 of the Code, such as the deduction provided by section 651 or 661, or subpart D, part I of subchapter J, relating to excess distributions by trusts.
- (3) The rule stated in subparagraph (1) of this paragraph does not apply to income in respect of a decedent which is properly allocable to corpus by the

- fiduciary during the taxable year but which is distributed to a beneficiary in a subsequent year. The deduction provided by section 691(c) in such a case is allowable only to the estate or trust. If any amount properly paid, credited, or required to be distributed by a trust qualifies as a distribution under section 666, the fact that a portion thereof constitutes income in respect of a decedent shall be disregarded for the purposes of determining the deduction of the trust and of the beneficiaries under section 691(c) since the deduction for estate taxes was taken into consideration in computing the undistributed net income of the trust for the preceding taxable year.
- (b) This section shall apply only to amounts properly paid, credited, or required to be distributed in taxable years of an estate or trust beginning after December 31, 1953, and ending after August 16, 1954, except as otherwise provided in paragraph (c) of this section.
- (c) In the case of an estate or trust heretofore taxable under the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1939, amounts paid, credited, or to be distributed during its first taxable year subject to the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 which would have been treated as paid, credited, or to be distributed on the last day of the preceding taxable year if the Internal Revenue Code of 1939 were still applicable shall not be subject to the provisions of section 691(c)(1)(B) or this section. See section 683 and the regulations thereunder.
- (d) The provisions of this section may be illustrated by the following example, in which it is assumed that the estate and the beneficiary make their returns on the calendar year basis:

Example. (1) The fiduciary of an estate receives taxable interest of \$5,500 and income in respect of a decedent of \$4,500 during the taxable year. Neither the will of the decedent nor local law requires the allocation to corpus of income in respect of a decedent. The estate tax attributable to the income in respect of a decedent is \$1,500. In his discretion, the fiduciary distributes \$2,000 (falling within sections 661(a) and 662(a)) to a beneficiary during that year. On these facts the fiduciary and beneficiary are respectively entitled to estate tax deductions of \$1,200 and \$300, computed as follows:

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(2) Distributable net income computed under section 643(a) without regard to the estate tax deduction under section 691(c) is \$10,000, computed as follows:

Taxable interest	\$5,500 4,500
Total	10,000

- (3) Inasmuch as the distributable net income of \$10,000 exceeds the amount of \$2,000 distributed to the beneficiary, the deduction allowable to the estate under section 661(a) and the amount taxable to the beneficiary under section 662(a) is \$2,000.
- (4) The character of the amounts distributed to the beneficiary under section 662 (b) is shown in the following table:

	Taxable interest	Income in respect of a decedent	Total
Distributable net income Amount deemed distrib- uted under section	\$5,500	\$4,500	\$10,000
662(b)	1,100	900	2,000

- (5) Accordingly, the beneficiary will be entitled to an estate tax deduction of \$300 (900/ $4,500\times$1,500$) and the estate will be entitled to an estate tax deduction of \$1,200 ($3,600/4,500\times$1,500$).
- (6) The taxable income of the estate is \$6,200, computed as follows:

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Gross income		\$10,000
Less:		
Distributions to the beneficiary	\$2,000	
Estate tax deduction under section		
691(c)	1,200	
Personal exemption	600	
		3,800
Taxable income		6,200

§1.691(d)-1 Amounts received by surviving annuitant under joint and survivor annuity contract.

- (a) In general. Under section 691(d), annuity payments received by a surviving annuitant under a joint and survivor annuity contract (to the extent indicated in paragraph (b) of this section) are treated as income in respect of a decedent under section 691(a) for the purpose of allowing the deduction for estate tax provided for in section 691(c)(1)(A). This section applies only if the deceased annuitant died after December 31, 1953, and after the annuity starting date as defined in section 72(c)(4).
- (b) Special value for surviving annuitant's payments. Section 691(d) provides a special value for the surviving annu-

itant's payments to determine the amount of the estate tax deduction provided for in section 691(c)(1)(A). This special value is determined by multiplying:

(1) The excess of the value of the annuity at the date of death of the deceased annuitant over the total amount excludable from the gross income of the surviving annuitant under section 72 during his life expectancy period (see paragraph (d)(1)(i) of this section)

by

(2) A fraction consisting of the value of the annuity for estate tax purposes over the value of the annuity at the date of death of the deceased annuitant.

This special value is used for the purpose of determining the net value for estate tax purposes (see section 691(c)(2)(B) and paragraph (a)(1) of $\S 1.691(c)-1$) and for the purpose of determining the portion of estate tax attributable to the survivor's annuity (see paragraph (a) of $\S 1.691(c)-1$).

- (c) Amount of deduction. The portion of estate tax attributable to the survivor's annuity (see paragraph (a) of §1.691(c)-1) is allowable as a deduction to the surviving annuitant over his life expectancy period. If the surviving annuitant continues to receive annuity payments beyond this period, there is no further deduction under section 691(d). If the surviving annuitant dies before expiration of such period, there is no compensating adjustment for the unused deduction.
- (d) *Definitions.* (1) For purposes of section 691(d) and this section:
- (i) The term *life expectancy period* means the period beginning with the first day of the first period for which an amount is received by the surviving annuitant under the contract and ending with the close of the taxable year with or in which falls the termination of the life expectancy of the surviving annuitant.
- (ii) The life expectancy of the surviving annuitant shall be determined as of the date of death of the deceased annuitant, with reference to actuarial Table I set forth in §1.72-9 (but without making any adjustment under paragraph (a)(2) of §1.72-5).

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- (iii) The value of the annuity at the date of death of the deceased annuitant shall be the entire value of the survivor's annuity determined by reference to the principles set forth in section 2031 and the regulations thereunder, relating to the valuation of annuities for estate tax purposes.
- (iv) The value of the annuity for estate tax purposes shall be that portion of the value determined under subdivision (iii) of this subparagraph which was includible in the deceased annuitant's gross estate.
- (2) The determination of the "life expectancy period" of the survivor for purposes of section 691(d) may be illustrated by the following example:

Example. H and W file their income tax returns on the calendar year basis. H dies on July 15, 1955, on which date W is 70 years of age. On August 1, 1955, W receives a monthly payment under a joint and survivor annuity contract. W's life expectancy determined as of the date of H's death is 15 years as determined from Table I in §1.72-9; thus her life expectancy ends on July 14, 1970. Under the provisions of section 691(d), her life expectancy period begins as of July 1, 1955, and ends as of December 31, 1970, thus giving her a life expectancy period of 15 1/2 years.

(e) *Examples.* The application of section 691(d) and this section may be illustrated by the following examples:

Example 1. (1) H and W, husband and wife, purchased a joint and survivor annuity contract for \$203,800 providing for monthly payments of \$1,000 starting January 28, 1954, and continuing for their joint lives and for the remaining life of the survivor. H contributed \$152,850 and W contributed \$50,950 to the cost of the annuity. As of the annuity starting date, January 1, 1954, H's age at his nearest birthday was 70 and W's age at her nearest birthday was 67. H dies on January 1, 1957, and beginning on January 28, 1957, W receives her monthly payments of \$1,000. The value of the annuity at the date of H's death is \$159,000 (see paragraph (d)(1)(iii) of this section), and the value of the annuity for estate tax purposes (see paragraph (d)(1)(iv) of this section) is \$119,250 (152,850/203,800 of \$159,000). As of the date of H's death, W's age is 70 and her life expectancy period is 15 years (see paragraph (d) of this section for method of computation). Both \boldsymbol{H} and \boldsymbol{W} reported income by use of the cash receipts and disbursements method and filed income tax returns on the calendar year basis

(2) The following computations illustrate the application of section 72 in determining the excludable portions of the annuity payments to W during her life expectancy period:

* 40.000	Amount of annuity payments per year
\$12,000	(12×\$1,000)
	Life expectancy of H and W as of the annuity starting date (see section 72(c)(3)(A) and Table
19.7	II of § 1.72–9 (male, age 70; female, age 67))
13.7	Expected return as of the annuity starting date,
	January 1, 1954 (\$12,000×19.7 as determined
	under section 72(c)(3)(A) and paragraph (b) of
\$236,400	§1.72–5)
	Investment in the contract as of the annuity start-
	ing date, Jan. 1, 1954 (see section 72(c)(1) and
\$203,800	paragraph (a) of § 1.72-6)
	Exclusion ratio (203,800/236,400 as determined
86.2	under section 72(b) and §1.72-4) (percent)
	Exclusion per year under section 72
\$10,344	(\$12,000×86.2 percent)
0.55.400	Excludable during W's life expectancy period
\$155,160	(\$10,344×15)

(3) For the purpose of computing the deduction for estate tax under section 691(c), the value for estate tax purposes of the amounts includible in W's gross income and considered income in respect of a decedent by virtue of section 691(d)(1) is \$2,880. This amount is arrived at in accordance with the formula contained in section 691(d)(2), as follows:

Value of annuity at the date of H's death	\$159,000
Total amount excludable from W's gross income	
under section 72 during W's life expectancy pe-	
riod (see subparagraph (2) of this example)	\$155,160
Excess	\$3,840
Ratio which value of annuity for estate tax pur-	
poses bears to value of annuity at date of H's	
death (119,250/159,000) (percent)	75
Value for estate tax purposes (75 percent of	
\$3,840)	\$2,880

This amount (\$2,880) is included in the items of income under section 691(a)(1) for the purpose of determining the estate tax attributable to each item under section 691(c)(1)(A). The estate tax determined to be attributable to the item of \$2,880 is then allowed as a deduction to W over her 15-year life expectancy period (see example 2 of this paragraph).

Example 2. Assume, in addition to the facts contained in example 1 of this paragraph, that H was an attorney and was entitled at the date of his death to a fee for services rendered in a case not completed at the time of his death, which fee was valued at \$1,000, and to accrued bond interest, which was valued at \$500. Taking into consideration the annuity payments of example 1, valued at \$2,880, a total of \$4,380 was included in his gross estate in respect of income described in section 691(a)(1). There were deducted as claims against his estate \$280 for business expenses for which his estate was liable and \$100 for taxes accrued on certain property which he owned. In all, \$380 was deducted for claims which represent amounts described in section 691(b) which are allowable as deductions to his estate or to the beneficiaries of his estate. His gross estate was \$404,250 and considering deductions of \$15,000, a marital deduction of \$119,250 (assuming the annuity to be the only qualifying gift) and an exemption of \$60,000, his taxable estate amounted to \$210,000. The estate tax on this amount is \$53,700 from which is subtracted a \$175 credit for State death taxes, leaving an estate tax liability of \$53,525. W may deduct, in computing her taxable income during each year of her 15-year life expectancy period, \$14.73 on account of the estate tax attributable to the value for estate tax purposes of that portion of the annuity payments considered income in respect of a decedent, computed as follows:

\$4,380.00
380.00
4,000.00
53,525.00
53,189.00
336.00
2,880.00
4,380.00
220.93
14.73

§1.691(e)-1 Installment obligations transmitted at death when prior law applied.

(a) In general—(1) Application of prior law. Under section 44(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1939 and corresponding provisions of prior law, gains and losses on account of the transmission of installment obligations at the death of a holder of such obligations were required to be reported in the return of the decedent for the year of his death. However, an exception to this rule was provided if there was filed with the Commissioner a bond assuring the return as income of any payment in satisfaction of these obligations in the same proportion as would have been returnable as income by the decedent had he lived and received such payments. Obligations in respect of which such bond was filed are referred to in this

section as "obligations assured by bond".

- (2) Application of present law. Section 691(a)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (effective for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1953, and ending after August 16, 1954) in effect makes the exception which under prior law applied to obligations assured by bond the general rule for obligations transmitted at death, but contains no requirement for a bond. Section 691(e)(1) provides that if the holder of the installment obligation makes a proper election, the provisions of section 691(a)(4) shall apply in the case of obligations assured by bond. Section 691(e)(1) further provides that the estate tax deduction provided by section 691(c)(1) is not allowable for any amount included in gross income by reason of filing such an election.
- (b) Manner and scope of election—(1) In general. The election to have obligations assured by bond treated as obligations to which section 691(a)(4) applies shall be made by the filing of a statement with respect to each bond to be released, containing the following information:
- (i) The name and address of the decedent from whom the obligations assured by bond were transmitted, the date of his death, and the internal revenue district in which the last income tax return of the decedent was filed.
- (ii) A schedule of all obligations assured by the bond on which is listed—
- (a) The name and address of the obligors, face amount, date of maturity, and manner of payment of each obligation
- (b) The name, identifying number (provided under section 6109 and the regulations thereunder), and address of each person holding the obligations, and
- (c) The name, identifying number, and address, of each person who at the time of the election possesses an interest in each obligation, and a description of such interest.
- (iii) The total amount of income in respect of the obligations which would have been reportable as income by the decedent if he had lived and received such payment.

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- (iv) The amount of income referred to in subdivision (iii) of this subparagraph which has previously been included in gross income.
- (v) An unqualified statement, signed by all persons holding the obligations, that they elect to have the provisions of section 691(a)(4) apply to such obligations and that such election shall be binding upon them, all current beneficiaries, and any person to whom the obligations may be transmitted by gift, bequest, or inheritance.
- (vi) A declaration that the election is made under the penalties of perjury.
- (2) Filing of statement. The statement with respect to each bond to be released shall be filed in duplicate with the district director of internal revenue for the district in which the bond is maintained. The statement shall be filed not later than the time prescribed for filing the return for the first taxable year (including any extension of time for such filing) to which the election applies.
- (3) Effect of election. The election referred to in subparagraph (1) of this paragraph shall be irrevocable. Once an election is made with respect to an obligation assured by bond, it shall apply to all payments made in satisfaction of such obligation which were received during the first taxable year to which the election applies and to all such payments received during each taxable year thereafter, whether the recipient is the person who made the election, a current beneficiary, or a person to whom the obligation may be transmitted by gift, bequest, or inheritance. Therefore, all payments received to which the election applies shall be treated as payments made on installment obligations to which section 691(a)(4) applies. However, the estate tax deduction provided by section 691(c) is not allowable for any such payment. The application of this subparagraph may be illustrated by the following example:

Example. A, the holder of an installment obligation, died in 1952. The installment obligation was transmitted at A's death to B who filed a bond on Form 1132 pursuant to paragraph (c) of §39.44–5 of Regulations 118 (26 CFR part 39, 1939 ed.) for the necessary amount. On January 1, 1965, B, a calendar year taxpayer, filed an election under section 691(e) to treat the obligation assured by

bond as an obligation to which section 691(a)(4) applies, and B's bond was released for 1964 and subsequent taxable years. B died on June 1, 1965, and the obligation was bequeathed to C. On January 1, 1966, C received an installment payment on the obligation which had been assured by the bond. Because B filed an election with respect to the obligation assured by bond, C is required to treat the proper proportion of the January 1, 1966, payment and all subsequent payments made in satisfaction of this obligation as income in respect of a decedent. However, no estate tax deduction is allowable to C under section 691(c)(1) for any estate tax attributable to the inclusion of the value of such obligation in the estate of either A or B.

(c) Release of bond. If an election according to the provisions of paragraph (b) of this section is filed, the liability under any bond filed under section 44(d) of the 1939 Code (or the corresponding provisions of prior law) shall be released with respect to each taxable year to which such election applies. However, the liability under any such bond for an earlier taxable year to which the election does not apply shall not be released until the district director of internal revenue for the district in which the bond is maintained is assured that the proper portion of each installment payment received in such taxable year has been reported and the tax thereon paid.

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§1.691(f)-1 Cross reference.

See section 753 and the regulations thereunder for application of section 691 to income in respect of a deceased partner.

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§1.692-1 Abatement of income taxes of certain members of the Armed Forces of the United States upon death.

- (a)(1) This section applies if:
- (i) An individual dies while in active service as a member of the Armed Forces of the United States, and
- (ii) His death occurs while he is serving in a combat zone (as determined under section 112), or at any place as a result of wounds, disease, or injury incurred while he was serving in a combat zone.

- (2) If an individuals dies as described in paragraph (a)(1), the following liabilities for tax, under subtitle A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or under chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1939, are canceled:
- (i) The libaility of the deceased individual, for the last taxable year, ending on the date of his death, and for any prior taxable year ending on or after the first day he served in a combat zone in active service as a member of the U.S. Armed Forces after June 24, 1950, and
- (ii) The liability of any other person to the extent the liability is attributable to an amount received after the individual's death (including income in respect of a decedent under section 691) which would have been includible in the individual's gross income for his taxable year in which the date of his death falls (determined as if he had survived).

If the tax (including interest, additions to the tax, and additional amounts) is assessed, the assessment will be abated. If the amount of the tax is collected (regardless of the date of collection), the amount so collected will be credited or refunded as an overpayment.

- (3) If an individual dies as described in paragraph (a)(1), there will not be assessed any amount of tax of the indvidual for taxable years preceding the years specified in paragraph (a)(2), under subtitle A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1939, or corresponding provisions of prior revenue laws, remaining unpaid as of the date of death. If any such unpaid tax (including interest, additions to the tax, and additional amounts) has been assessed, the assessments will be abated. If the amount of any such unpaid tax is collected after the date of death, the amount so collected will be credited or refunded as an overpayment.
- (4) As to what constitutes active service as a member of the Armed Forces, service in a combat zone, and wounds, disease, or injury incurred while serving in a combat zone, see section 112. As to who are members of the Armed Forces, see section 7701(a)(15). As to the period of time within which

any claim for refund must be filed, see sections 6511(a) and 7508(a)(1)(E).

- (b) If such an individual and his spouse have for any such year filed a joint return, the tax abated, credited, or refunded pursuant to the provisions of section 692 for such year shall be an amount equal to that portion of the joint tax liability which is the same percentage of such joint tax liability as a tax computed upon the separate income of such individual is of the sum of the taxes computed upon the separate income of such individual and his spouse, but with respect to taxable years ending before June 24, 1950, and with respect to taxable years ending before the first day such individual served in a combat zone, as determined under section 112, the amount so abated, credited, or refunded shall not exceed the amount unpaid at the date of death. For such purpose, the separate tax of each spouse:
- (1) For taxable years beginning after December 31, 1953, and ending after August 16, 1954, shall be the tax computed under subtitle A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 before the application of sections 31, 32, 6401(b), and 6402, but after the application of section 33, as if such spouse were required to make a separate income tax return; and
- (2) For taxable years beginning before January 1, 1954, and for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1953, and ending before August 17, 1954, shall be the tax computed under chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1939 before the application of sections 32, 35, and 322(a), but after the application of section 31, as if such spouse were required to make a separate income tax return.
- (c) If such an individual and his spouse filed a joint declaration of estimated tax for the taxable year ending with the date of his death, the estimated tax paid pursuant to such declaration may be treated as the estimated tax of either such individual or his spouse, or may be divided between them, in such manner as his legal representative and such spouse may agree. Should they agree to treat such estimated tax, or any portion thereof, as the estimated tax of such individual, the estimated tax so paid shall be credited or refunded as an overpayment for